

Human Resource Development. For admissions in JNVs, seats are reserved for children from SC and ST communities in the district in proportion to their population in the concerned district but not less than the national average of 15% for SC and 7.5% for ST candidates. In KGBV, 75% of the seats are reserved for girls from SC, ST, OBC and minority communities. There is no proposal to increase the reservation percentage.

Regulation of admission and fee structure

†2944. **SHRI SURENDRA LATH:** Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some State Governments have made a request to regulate the admissions and fee structure in institutes of higher education and private educational institutions;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any decision has been taken in this regard; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (d) In term of Article 15(5) of the Constitution, State legislatures as well as Parliament are competent to make laws in regard to the advancement of the weaker sections in matter of admission and other allied matters in all educational institutions. Therefore, while such regulation in respect of institutions deemed to be universities would be under the purview of Parliament, each State is competent to make appropriate regulations through law in respect of educational institutions (including private unaided institutions), coming under its domain. According to the information furnished by all States, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh and Uttaranchal have enacted appropriate laws in this regard. The Central Act in regard to such regulations in Centrally established, aided or maintained institution has already come into force. A proposal for regulating unaided deemed to be universities under the purview of the Central Government is under consideration.

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